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A METHOD OF TRANSMITTING DATA AND A CARD FOR SUCH TRANSMISSION

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10 The invention relates to a portable article of the smart card type and to a method of transmitting data to such an article, the article comprising firstly an article body and secondly an integrated circuit chip, said integrated circuit chip comprising a central processor unit (CPU) connected via a data and address bus to memories (ROM, RAM, EEPROM), and further comprising at least four contact pads (VCC, GND, RST, VPP, CLK, I/O, D+, D-) connected to four contact areas (C1, C5, C4, C8) of a set of at least six contact areas flush with the surface of the card body. The invention is characterized in that two of the contacts pads (D+, D-) are connected to an interface of the card and are suitable for providing data transmission handled by the central processor unit (CPU). The invention applies in particular to transmitting data using the universal serial bus (USB) protocols and formats.

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